TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 549 - SB 523

March 25, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates an Interagency Transportation Coordination Committee, composed of representatives of state departments to coordinate the transportation efforts of state and local governments. The Department of Transportation (TDOT) would be the lead agency for support and staffing. Any state entity wishing to grant or make expenditure of funds for transportation services would be required to report the amount of such grant or expenditure to the Department of Transportation's Division of Multimodal Resources. Prior to the expenditure of any funds under a direct federal or private grant, the local entity receiving the grant would be required to file a written report with the coordination committee detailing the amount of grant and its purpose.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures \$22,400/One-Time \$206,500/Recurring

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- TDOT indicates that any administrative costs to the Department are estimated to be not significant and can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- The Department of Human Services (DHS) provides approximately 195,700 trips for clients annually that would be covered by the provisions of this bill. Such services are either performed by the Department or through contract. Coordination of these services with TDOT will require DHS to hire four additional persons.
- Recurring costs for the DHS positions are estimated to be approximately \$206,549 for salary (\$132,000), benefits (\$52,149), printing (\$1,200), office space (\$10,800), phones (\$2,400), office supplies (\$1,200), network connections (\$4,800) and an annual contribution to the equipment replacement fund (\$2,000). One-time costs for office landscaping (\$14,400) and PCs (\$8,000) are estimated to be \$22,400.
- If increasing the administration requirements for the provision of transportation services were to inhibit the timely delivery of transportation services by DHS, this could jeopardize approximately \$6,390,000 in federal funds to DHS for the Temporary Assistance For Needy Families Program (TANF).

• Any increase in local government expenditures to provide the grant information to the coordination committee is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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